

# Middletown Tree Commission Meeting Minutes

## Third Special Meeting for “Town Center “Planning

Held on November 20

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Karen Day at 3:00 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor conference room of the Middletown Town Hall.

Those attending were: Karen Day, Bill DiMarco, Bob Johnson, Chuck DiTucci, Alan Kirby, Warren Hall, BJ Northrup-Owen, Tom O’Loughlin, Ralph Thomas, Will Cronin and Joe Cirillo.

This special meeting was called to plan the tree planting and trail mapping for the former Kempenaar property located off High street, sometimes referred to as the Town Center. This was the third special meeting on this topic.

Warren Hall presented a plot of the trail on the property map that we marked while walking the property on 11/5. It is approximately 4,000’ long. A discussion ensued and hand drawn plots of additional trails were developed as shown below.

Among the many issues discussed, Joe Cirillo gave us some thoughts on handicapped access issues including parking, Alan discussed tree planting design intentions, and Ralph Thomas brought up the concept of memorial benches.

A parking area for about 50 cars is planned for the north eastern end of the property approximately where the pond service road is shown.

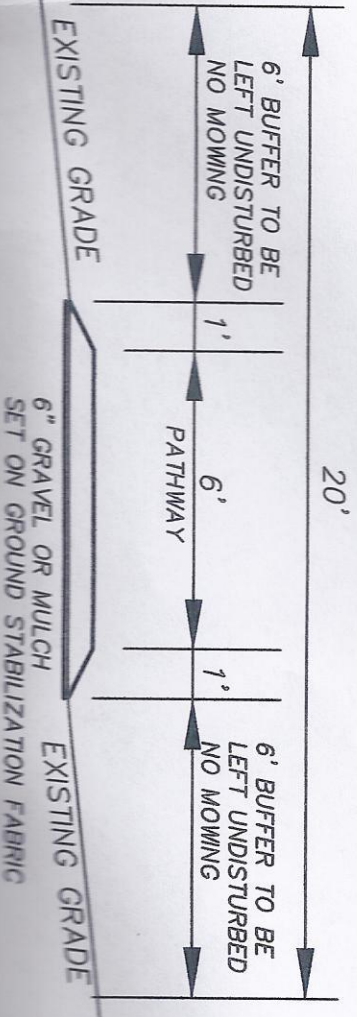
1. Warren took an action item to finalize the hand drawn trails and prepare a document for DEM approval.
2. Allan took an action item to begin a planting design based on the drawn trails.
3. BJ took an action item to get in touch with the Middletown Garden Club wrt their possible involvement. She has reported back that they are interested in joining the effort.

Final DEM approval is in the critical path. Optimistically, work could start in the spring.

The next regular meeting is planned for 3:00, Thursday 12/4 at the Middletown Library.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill DiMarco, Secretary, Middletown Tree Commission



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BY: WARREN HALL, TOWN ENGINE